

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Examiner: U. K. Rajguru

Shimizu, Kunio

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Title: Protective Film of a Polarizing Plate

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**STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP**

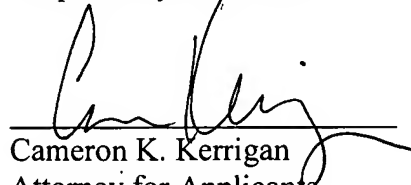
Dear Examiner Rajguru:

At the time the inventions of the current application (USSN 10/004,385) were made, the inventions of the current application and Michihata et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,320,042) were owned by or subject to an obligation of assignment to Konica Corporation of Japan.

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